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FOIA from Northwest Environmental Advocates on EPA denial of NWEA Petition on Washington Toxic Criteria. FOIA submitted to EPA on 9/13/17. Request for review by 4/18/18.

This request concerns EPA's May 31, 2017 denial of a petition submitted by NWEA on October 28, 2013 by letter from Michael H. Shapiro, Acting Assistant Administrator. The petition pertained to rulemaking on water quality criteria for toxics in the State of Washington.

Pursuant to this request, please provide all documents prepared or utilized by, in the possession of, or routed through the EPA related to:

1. The October 28, 2013 petition by NWEA to EPA seeking rulemaking to update Washington State's criteria for toxics. (From October 28, 2013 to the date upon which EPA begins its search for records.)

If there are large documents or categories of documents that you suspect we may already have, or that we might not want, please call us and ask in order to avoid waste and/or delay.

We worked with the requester to narrow the scope of the request to only two custodians, Corey Buffo (OW/OST) and Angela Chung (R10).

This is the first of three interim responses. The responsive records have been redacted, and then reviewed by OGC and R10 lawyer. In order to give as much time for review as possible, I will be reviewing simultaneously.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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